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**ANNUAL RETURN FOR YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2017**

**Section 1 – The Statement of Accounts**

**Variances Explanation**

**Line 2 – Annual Precept**

 The annual precept was £809 higher a reflection of a reduction in grants.

**Line 3 – Total Other Receipts**

These were down by £2,383, which reflects the fact that in the year to end March 2016 we received a £2,700 Open Spaces payment, following the building of some affordable housing in Whepstead.

**Line 4 – Staff Costs**

A £335 reduction in staff costs was insignificant.

**Line 6 – All Other Payments**

These were up £712 and reflect new costs - £156 of Auditor’s fees, £185.17 in defibrillator expenses, £128.40 for commemorative coins to celebrate the Queen’s 90th birthday and £60 for website hosting. Mowing costs rose by £473.31.

**Line 9 – Total Fixed Assets**

These have risen by £2,000 to reflect the value of the new defibrillator.

**With kind regards**

**Yours faithfully**

**Di Rix (Mrs)**

**Parish Clerk**